THE MEMORIAL OF J— F—, E-- of K--

Presented to the K— by his own Hand, in behalf of the SUBJECTS of *I—d*,

And in Vindication of their

RIGHTS and LIBERTIES.

To which are added, A

LETTER

FROM THE

E— of *H—fs* to the L— C—

And another from the

D— of *D*— to the P—

On the same Occasion.

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To his moſt Serene and Auguſt M---y *G------* the II. of *G-----t B------n*, *F----e*, and *I-----d*, K---g D------r of the F----h, and ſo forth.

The moſt humble MEMORIAL of *J----s F----d*, E---l of *K---e*, B---n *O----y*, L----d *L----r* in *E---d*, *&c.* and one of his M---y's moſt H.--le P----y C-----l of the Kingdom of *I----d.*

Moſt humbly repreſenteth,

THAT your Momorialiſt is the eldeſt Peer of the Realm, by deſcent, as lineally ſprung from the ancient and auguſt Blood of the Noble *E-----l* of *K----e*, *F-----d*, who came over under the invincible Banner of your auguſt Predeceſſor *Henry* the Second, when his Arms conquered the Kingdom of *I-----d.*

That your Memorialiſt, on this foundation, has the greater preſumption to addreſs your auguſt *M----y*, as his anceſtors have ever proved themſelves ſteddy Adherents to the Conqueſt of that Kingdom, and were greatly

greatly inſtrumental in the reduction thereof, by their Money, Intereſt, and Forces.

That tho' they were at firſt ſent over with Letters Patent, under *Henry* the Second's Banner, to conquer that Kingdom, yet by the Inheritance of Lands, by Intermarriage, with the Princeſſes of the Kingdom, they became powerful, and might have conquered for themſelves, notwithſtanding which, their Allegiance was ſuch, as that, on that Sovereign's Mandate to ſtop the progreſs of War, we obey'd, and relinquiſhed our title to Conqueſt, laid down our Arms and received that Monarch with due Homage and Allegiance, reſigning our Conqueſts as became Subjects, and alſo prevailed with the ſovereign Princes, Biſhops, Nobles, Clergy, and Gentry, to acknowledge him right and lawful Sovereign of *I-----d*, and of the Seas, Seaports, and other Domains of the Kingdom.

That on this Preſumption, your Memorialiſt has, in the moſt humble Manner at the requeſt of the Natives of *I----d*, your *M---- y*'s true liege Subjects, not only the Aborigines thereof, but the *E-----ſh* Colonies, ſent over by *Henry* the Second, *Richard* the Second, *Elizabeth*, *Charles*, *Cromwell* the Uſurper, *William* the Third of Glorious *M*emory, and other Kings, your *M-----y*'s Predeceſſors, and Conquerors of *I——d*, made bold to lay before your *M—y* the true State of their ſeveral and reſpective

reſpective Grievances, a Burden now become almoſt too heavy to bear.

And your Memorialiſt was the rather induced to lay this Memorial at your auguſt *M——y*'s Feet, as it was on good Preſumption, ſurmiſed, that all acceſs to your royal Ear was ſhut up, and your liege Subjects debarred the liberty of Complaining, a right ever allowed to your *M——y*'s liege Subjects of what degree or condition ſoever.

That no notice being taken of ſeveral Remonſtrances heretofore made by your *M——y*'s liege Subjects, it was humbly preſumed, that ſuch Remonſtrances had been ſtopped and debarred, in their Progreſs to your royal Ear.

That your Memorialiſt, at the requeſt of ſeveral thouſands of your liege Subjects, as well the Nobles, as the Clergy, the Gentry, and Commonalty of the Kingdom, has ventured on this bold ſtep, for which he humbly craves your *M——y*'s pardon, as nothing but the diſtreſs of his Country men, your moſt loyal Subjects, could have drawn him to this preſumption.

That in general the face of your loyal Kingdom in *I——d* wears Diſcontent, a Diſcontent, not couloured from Caprice, or Faction, but purely founded on miniſterial Miſapplication.

That tho' ſeveral Perſons, particularly *N——J——* was called to acount for the public

public M——y, which he had drawn out of the T——y, and depoſited in the Banks, yet this Inquiſition came to nothing by the mediation of Party, and the interpoſition of Power.

That the D— of D—'s Son L—— G——, tho' in high and lucrative Employments already, not ſatisfy'd therewith, has, reſtleſsly, graſped at Power, inſatiable in his Acquiſitions.

That the P——, who is now on the Pinacle of Honour, connected with the ſaid noble Lord, has made uſe of his Influence to inveſt himſelf of temporal Power, and like a greedy Churchman, affects to be a ſecond *Woolſey* in the S——e.

That Influences being ſo predominant, Corruption ſo formidable, and Elections ſo controlled by the mighty Power of thoſe two St——ſ-m——n, your loyal Kingdom of *I——d* feels the ſad Effects of it, and dreads this Duumvirate as much as *E——d* did that of the Earl of *Stafford*, and Archbiſhop *Laud*.

That your other Miniſters, Officers, Subjects, and Servants, being cut out of Dignity, and Power by this formidable Monopoly, can ſcarce perform the proper functions of their Miniſtry; as all meaſures are determined by fatal and influenced Majoritys in the H——.

That the Citizens of D——n have for a long time labourd under an unprecedented

Slavery

Slavery in ſubjection to the B—— of A—— who act in a deſpotick manner, raiſing and diſpoſing the public Revenues of the City, juſt as to them ſeems fitting.

That your M——y's intereſt in the Hearts of your loyal Subjects is likely to be affected by thoſe arbitrary Meaſures, as the landed Intereſt is very much injured thereby, and as few care to repreſent their Country in P—— where a junto of two or three Men diſconcert every meaſure taken for the good of the Subject, or the Cauſe of common Liberty.

That your Memorialiſt has nothing to aſk of your M—— neither Place, civil or military, neither Employment or Preferment for himſelf or Friends, and that nothing but his Duty to your M—— and his natural hatred to ſuch deteſtable Monopoly, could have induced your Memorialiſt to this preſumption;

Who is,

In all Reſpects,

Your moſt loyal,

And dutiful Subject,

I—— F——

A Letter

A Letter from the E——l of H——ſs to the L—— C——r of *I——d.*

My good L——d C——

I Am not a little concerned that the Noble *E——* of *K——* ſhould take ſo bold a ſtep as he may repent of hereafter, and do aſſure you that I think he has not ſhewn himſelf a Perſon of diſcretion, be the act never ſo popular.

He was but ill received, and very cooly diſmiſſed, as indeed the preſumption well merited, for why ſhould his M——y receive any Remonſtrances concerning his Kingdom or Government, but from the proper Miniſters or thro the uſual Channel, *viz.* both H——s in P——t. I deſire my Compliments may attend his G——ce the *L——d P——te* and wiſh him Succeſs in all laudable Endeavours for poor *I——d.*

I am

Your Excellency's

moſt obedient Servant,

H——ſs.

A LETTER from his G——ce the D—— of D——, to his G——ce the P——te of all I——d.

May it pleaſe your Excellency and Grace,

TOuching the E——l of K——e's Memorial preſented to the K—— my Maſter, it has neither ſerv'd him, nor injur'd us: It is look'd upon, as it juſtly deſerves to be, an act of Preſumption, and a ſtep of Faction.—— In a leſs mild Adminiſtration, and under a Reign leſs merciful, it would have prov'd an act full of Danger.

If the Subjects of I——d were diſcontented with the Meaſures of G——t, was not the P——y C——l open to receive the Complaints, were not your Excellencys acceſſible to Complaints of Grievances; but for one Man, becauſe the firſt Peer of the Realm, to take the Kingdom's Diſtreſſes on his Shoulders, and like another Hercules, to put his Shoulders to the Government in which he had neither Place nor Concern, was ſure unworthy of his Prudence, if he had any.— I am not for hot Water, my deſign is pacifick, and tending to the publick Good,

I am

Your Lordſhip's Friend,

D——t.